## PERSONNEL QUALIFICATIONS



# **Bruce S. Kaskel** | Principal



#### **EDUCATION**

- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
  - Bachelor of Science, Architectural Studies, 1979
- University of Illinois Chicago
  - Master of Architecture,
    Structures Option, 1982

#### **PRACTICE AREAS**

- Building Envelope Commissioning
- Building Science
- Curtain Walls and Windows
- Exterior Wall Systems
- Glass Performance
- Litigation Consulting
- Peer Review
- Water/Air Leakage Assessment
- Windows/Curtain Walls/Skylights

#### **REGISTRATIONS**

- Architect in IL and WI
- LEED Accredited Professional
- Structural Engineer in IL

# **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

- ASTM International, 2013 Fellow
- Insulating Glass Certification Council, Board of Governors
- Structural Engineers Association of Illinois, past president

#### **TECHNICAL COMMITTEES**

- ASTM E06 Performance of Buildings
- ASTM E06.55 Exterior Wall Systems

#### **EXPERIENCE**

Since joining WJE in 1985, Bruce Kaskel has investigated and designed repairs for distress conditions in existing buildings. He has expertise in exterior wall systems related to glass, glazing, water infiltration, corrosion, structural adequacy, energy performance, anchorage devices, and durability. Mr. Kaskel's projects include aluminum and glass curtain walls, metal panels, exterior windows and doors, masonry, precast concrete, and stone. He has provided exterior wall consulting services during design and construction of new buildings, including serving as the building envelope commissioning (BECX) agent.

Mr. Kaskel has authored papers on exterior facade materials, glass and facade testing, the history of glazing systems, facade renovations, and structural failures of walls. He has presented seminars on aluminum and glass curtain walls, exterior wall systems design and repairs, and lessons learned from cladding failures. Mr. Kaskel has guest lectured at Purdue University, the University of Illinois, and the Illinois Institute of Technology.

#### REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

#### **Curtain Walls and Windows**

- U.S. Air Force Academy Cadet Chapel -Colorado Springs, CO: Design of aluminum and glass recladding repairs to correct water leaks
- Hyatt Regency New Orleans LA: Investigation of Hurricane Katrina damage and design of repairs
- Daley Center Chicago, IL: Investigation of weathering steel and glass facade
- AT&T Tower Minneapolis, MN: Exterior curtain wall consultant for new high-rise office building
- Pacific Park Plaza Emeryville, CA: Overcladding thirty-story condominium building with aluminum rain screen panels
- World Financial Center New York City, NY:
  Survey of damage to facade after 9/11

#### **Exterior Wall Systems**

- University of Iowa Children's Hospital Iowa City: BECx agent on exterior envelope
- Cleveland Medical Mart and Convention
  Center OH: Owner's consultant for exterior
  envelope design review and site observations
- MD Anderson Cancer Center Houston, TX:
  Exterior wall consulting for new hospital and science research buildings
- Harold Washington Library Center Chicago,
  IL: Exterior wall consultant for new masonry
  and curtain wall cladding
- Thomas Jefferson University Hospital -Philadelphia, PA: Investigation of masonry cladding failure

#### **Glass Performance**

- CNA Building Chicago, IL: Investigation of glass breakage; testing of applied film repairs
- Pulitzer Foundation for the Arts St. Louis, MO: Investigation of thermal stress glass breakage
- Yale Center for British Art New Haven, CT:
  Failure of insulating glass units and design of replacement units
- International Hotel Chain U.S. and Canada: Survey of one hundred hotel properties for glass safety conditions

### Water/Air Leakage Assessment

- Westin Hotel Chicago, IL: Plaza water leakage investigation and design of repairs
- St. Mary Medical Office Building Lewiston,
  ME: Water leakage through thin veneer brick
- Vehicle Assembly Building Cape Kennedy,
  FL: Assessment of 500-foot-tall assembly
  bay doors
- Eisenhower Executive Office Building -Washington, D.C.: Design of replacement skylights
- Myrtue Medical Center Natatorium Harlan, IA: Spray foam repair of facade to correct condensation leakage

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